BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

Order Instituting Rulemaking to Examine the Commission's Future Energy Efficiency Policies, Administration, and Programs.

Rulemaking 01-08-028 (Filed August 23, 2001)

ADMINISTRATIVE LAW JUDGE'S RULING SOLICITING COMMENTS ON DRAFT PROTOCOLS FOR THE EVALUATION, MEASUREMENT AND VERIFICATION OF ENERGY EFFICIENCY

Pursuant to the expedited review procedures established by Decision (D.) 05-04-051, this ruling solicits comments on Joint Staff's draft evaluation, measurement and verification (EM&V) protocols for energy efficiency ("Protocols"). The Protocols consist of the three documents listed below, all of which are posted to the Commission's website at:

http://www.cpuc.ca.gov/eerulemaking.

- The 2005 California Energy Efficiency Evaluation Protocols, September 20, 2005, prepared by The TecMarket Works Team for CPUC Energy Division;
- Integrated EM&V and Program Planning Cycle, prepared by Joint Staff, and
- Description of the Evaluation Results Reporting Process for 2006-2008 Evaluations of Energy Efficiency Programs, prepared by Joint Staff

Opening comments on the Protocols are due on October 17, 2005 and reply comments are due October 24, 2005. Joint Staff has not yet developed the "resource planning" component of the integrated EM&V cycle to feed the EM&V results into the Commission's procurement planning process and the California Energy Commission's integrated energy policy report. I ask that the utilities

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consult with their procurement planning staff to augment/refine the integrated EM&V cycle presented in this draft to ensure that updated information from the EM&V studies will feed into these resource planning cycles.

Interested parties should also note that the Protocols do not currently include a proposed process for updating the Database for Energy Efficient Resources (DEER). This process will be issued for comment at a later date, as will certain sections noted as "currently being developed" in the report prepared by the TecMarket Works team.

Per the expedited review process adopted in D.05-01-055, I am soliciting written comment on the Protocols. After considering the comments in consultation with Joint Staff and the Assigned Commissioner, I will issue a ruling adopting a final version of these Protocols.¹

IT IS RULED that:

- 1. Opening comments on the Protocols are due by October 17, 2005. Reply Comments are due by October 24, 2005. The Protocols are posted on the Commission's website at the location noted above.
- 2. Comments shall be served on the service list in this proceeding and in Application (A.) 05-06-004 et al. They are to be served pursuant to the Electronic Service Protocols attached to the Assigned Commissioner's Ruling dated December 22, 2003 in this proceeding, and consistent with Rules 2.3 and 2.3.1. The December 22, 2003 ruling can be viewed at the Commission's website (www.cpuc.ca.gov).

¹ See the Commission's discussion of the expedited review process adopted for EM&V-related issues in D.05-04-051, pp. 67-73.

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3. This ruling shall be served on the service list in this proceeding and in A.05-06-004 et al.

Dated October 4, 2005, at San Francisco, California.

/s/ MEG GOTTSTEIN

Meg Gottstein

Administrative Law Judge

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I certify that I have by mail this day served a true copy of the original attached Administrative Law Judge's Ruling Soliciting Comment on Draft Protocols for the Evaluation, Measurement and Verification of Energy Efficiency on all parties of record in this proceeding or their attorneys of record.

Dated October 4, 2005, at San Francisco, California.

/s/ JANET V. ALVIAR
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